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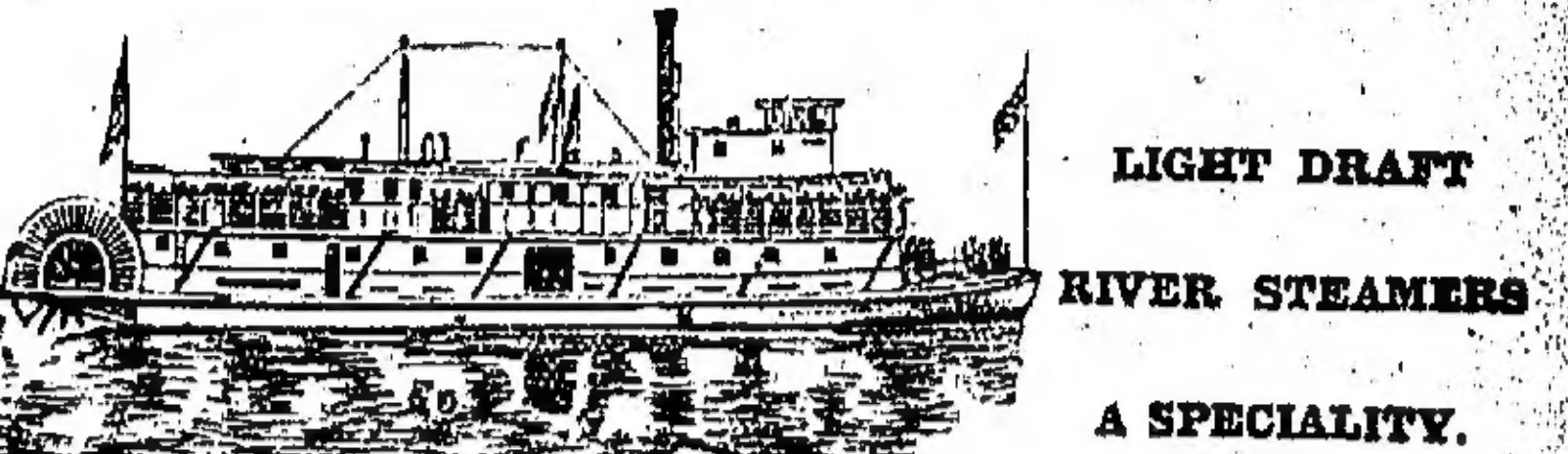
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Comments of Continental Critics.

Vienna, February 19.—The Czar's Manifesto of unreadiness is the subject of some caustic comments in the *Freidenblatt*, the organ of the Vienna Foreign Office, which says:—

'The Russian Government's Communiqué justifies the worst surmises. It states distinctly that everything was neglected, and has to be made good. But what is the chief duty of War Departments if not to make all preparations for war, as far as that is possible in peace time? This constitutes the sum and substance of the Military work carried on for years and decades, a work which absorbs the strength of hundreds of thousands; and if not for that purpose, the Army Administration exists for none other. It is true that history records many cases in which this principal rule has been violated, and the present only adds to the number. This, however, merely shows that men do not learn from history what they should. It makes no difference whether the confession of unreadiness implies that too few troops are concentrated in the Far East, or whether no provision was made for their support. Most likely both things have happened.

Meanwhile, the Japanese are as ready on land as they have proved to be at sea; and they lay neither their adversary nor the world at large doubt that they will continue as they began—that is, with the utmost energy and judicious daring. The moral aspect of the contrast fails to have an effect upon all future operations.

Having thus read a lesson to those who are responsible for Russian unreadiness, the *Freidenblatt* undertakes to construct a sort of plan for Russia, on the basis of the still unconfirmed report that Admiral Alexieff's Headquarters will be transferred to Kharbin. It says:—

'This means that the Southern part of Manchuria will be evacuated for a time, and that the Russian Army will be concentrated four or five hundred miles nearer its home base, which gives the advantage of shorter railway communication for reinforcements and provisions, a much more fertile region in the basin of the Singari, with its many affluents and large and prosperous towns, the strategic advantage of a good central position, the tactical advantage of the enemy having to march another five hundred miles through an arid, resourceless country; and, above all, the advantage of gaining several weeks for concentration and preparation, which may result in ultimate ability to resume the offensive.

But at what cost are these advantages obtained? Port Arthur and Vladivostok must be left to shift for themselves as best they can. Most probably they will have to be abandoned to the enemy. The great moral effect of initial success, so valuable in war, must be left to the enemy; and, if he is quick and energetic enough, he may despoil the Russians even of the theoretical advantages of a shorter distance from the home base, and of a quiet time for preparation. It is certain, however, that a vast amount of moral courage is needed to decide on such a concentration to the rear; and the worst is that it seems inevitable. To forestall the final issue would, however, be premature; certainly, in the case of Russia, which, once before, began a war under most unfavourable conditions, and, in the end, succeeded by the sheer weight of her massiveness, that is by her inexhaustible resources in fighting men.

The *Pester Lloyd*, which is of the same opinion, says:—

'The history of all of Russia's wars has shown that she wins by dragging them out to an unusual length, and if she cannot do that, she invariably loses. This is part of the character of the Russian people, but is due still more to the organisation of the Czar's Army which, in the beginning of a war, has never as yet stood the test. As regards a concentration to the rear, it must certainly make victory for the Japanese more difficult, if not doubtful. They have to march through Korea, which has an area two-thirds that of Italy, and Manchuria, which is as large as Germany and Austria-Hungary put together.'

The Vienna *Allgemeine Zeitung* hears that not only Count Cassini but Count Benckendorff as well will be recalled from their posts at Washington and London respectively. The Czar, it is said, is exceedingly angry with these Diplomats, who failed to inform him of the isolation in which Russia would find herself; with General Kuropatkin, the War Minister, who told him that Russia was ready for all eventualities; with Prince Chirikoff, the Minister of Communications, who failed to give a correct report about the real condition of the Siberian Railway; with Count Lamsdorf; in fact, with everyone. The *Allgemeine Zeitung* professes to have heard all this from a Diplomatist in Vienna.

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Britonnet	gunboat, 1st class	710	6	1300	Lieut.-Com. T. D. Pratt	Shanghai
Centurion	battleship, 1st class	10,500	14	13,000	Captain Fagan	Hongkong
Cressy	cruiser, 1st class	12,000	14	21,000	Captain Henry M. Tudor	Hongkong
Cherub	water tank and tug	380	—	300	—	Hongkong
Eclipse	cruiser, 2nd class	6800	11	9600	Captain Robert H. S. Stokes	Singapore
Esperance	sloop	1070	10	1400	Comdr. Ernest Barton	Nowchwan
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	380	6	6700	—	Hongkong
Feetie	cruiser, 3rd class	1850	12	3200	Comdr. P. V. Lawes, D.S.O.	Weihowai
Flora	battleship, 1st class	12,950	16	13,500	Captain W. A. Carter	Hongkong
Hardy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lieut.-Com. H. L. Wall	Weihowai
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	—	Weihowai
Janus	storeship	1840	—	800	Comdr. J. D. Daintree	Shanghai
Kinsha	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3800	Lieut.-Com. O. Asser	Weihowai
Leviathan	river gunboat	14,100	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. G. B. Powell	Yangtze-Kiang
Leviathan	cruiser, 1st class	180	2	800	Hon. N. G. Stopford	Kobe
Leviathan	river gunboat	12,500	16	13,500	Lt.-Comdr. G. S. Webster	Hongkong
Leviathan	battleship, 1st class	12,500	16	13,500	Captain R. F. Foote, O.M.G.	Weihowai
Leviathan	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6300	Lt.-Com. G. G. Oodington	Shanghai
Leviathan	sloop	1015	6	1400	Commander W. H. Nicholson	Hongkong
Leviathan	receiving ship	835	6	650	Captain Morris H. Smyth	Shanghai
Leviathan	river gunboat	880	10	1400	Com. J. St. A. Wake	Canton
Leviathan	river gunboat	880	10	1400	Lt.-Com. John P. Irven	Shanghai
Leviathan	sloop	880	6	1400	Comdr. T. Jackson	Weihowai
Leviathan	river gunboat	880	6	1400	—	Weihowai
Leviathan	cruiser, 2nd class	3680	8	9000	Capt. C. H. H. Moore	Hongkong
Leviathan	river gunboat	88	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Davidson	Yangtze
Leviathan	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6300	—	Hongkong
Leviathan	torpedo boat destroyer	260	6	6500	—	Hongkong
Leviathan	cruiser, 2nd class	6600	11	9600	Captain Lewis Bayly	Hongkong
Leviathan	receiving ship	4650	6	—	Commodore Dickson	Hongkong
Leviathan	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. E. V. Dugmore	Canton
Leviathan	river gunboat	2400	8	8000	Capt. J. A. C. Wilkinson	Weihowai
Leviathan	cruiser, 2nd class	383	3	290	Lt. Forbes	Hankow
Leviathan	coast defence gunboat	12,500	16	13,500	Capt. Leslie Stuart, C.M.O.	Hongkong
Leviathan	battleship, 1st class	980	10	1400	Comdr. S. St. John Farquhar	Singapore
Leviathan	torpedo boat destroyer	355	6	6300	Lieut.-Comdr. A. B. Barker	Hongkong
Leviathan	surveying ship	620	—	450	Lt.-Comdr. Ernest C. Hardy	Hongkong
Leviathan	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5970	In Reserve	Hongkong
Leviathan	river gunboat	160	2	550	Lieut.-Com. Hugh Somerville	Hankow
Leviathan	river gunboat	160	2	550	Lieut.-Com. Wason	Yangtze

* Flag of Admiral Sir Gerard H. Noel, Commander-in-Chief.

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Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at
Aspern	Austrian cruiser	962	—	—	Capt. Friedrich Grunzenberger	Choofoo
Kaiserin Elisabeth	Austrian cruiser	4000	—	—	Captain Mirth	Choofoo
Acheron	French gunboat	1798	—	—	Captain Lacerriere	Haigong
Alouette	French gunboat	300	—	—	Lieut. A. Varney	Canton
Argus	French gunboat	475	3	450	Capt. Orpin	Haigong
Aspie	French gunboat	—	—	—	Commander Jourget	Haigong
Avallanche	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	Haigong
Bengali	French gunboat	580	—	—	Lieut. Heron	Shanghai
Bugaud	French cruiser	3740	29	9000	Capt. Lefevre	Changhai
Chateaufort	French cruiser	6018	18	—	Captain V. Poldone	Haigong
Comete	French gunboat	625	—	—	Commander Louet	Haigong
Decidue	French gunboat	680	—	—	Commander Guichet	Haigong
Kersaint	French gunboat	1230	6	2200	Capt. Le Goullier	Haigong
Lion	French gunboat	470	—	—	Capt. Bécus	Haigong
Montcalm	French cruiser	9700	12	19,600	Captain Arca	Haigong
Olry	French gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Hurst	Shanghai
Prasol	French cruiser	4015	27	8500	Captain Soude	Changhai
Redoubtable	French cruiser	9437	8	6071	—	Haigong
Styx	French gunboat	1798	10	—	Capt. Vincent	Haigong
Surprise	French gunboat	628	2	800	Captain Thomas	Hongkong
Takou	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	Haigong
Takou	French destroyer	—	—	—	Lieut. Gaillard	Haigong
Takou	French cruiser	—	—	—	Captain Blundel	Along Bay
Vauban	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Carol	Canton
Vigilant	French gunboat	400	4	441	Comdr. Villeneuve	Haigong
Viper	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	Haigong
Bussard	German cruiser	1857	15	2900	Comdr. Russ	Amoy
Fürst Bismarck	German flagships	11,000	38	14,000	Captain Prowe	Hongkong
Geier	German cruiser	1775	15	2650	Comdr. von Sudnitz	Shanghai
Hansa	German cruiser	6000	34	10,000	Capt. van Sennern	Kiangtse
Hertha	German cruiser	6000	37	10,000	Capt. Baron Schimmelmann	Shanghai
Itira	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Capt. Baron M. Halleson	Shanghai
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	10	1	Comdr. W. Brand	Shanghai
Luchs	German gunboat	850	10	—	Comdr. Krenke	Hongkong
Seeadler	German gunboat	1523	—	—	Comdr. Fasper	Hongkong
Scoadler	German cruiser	1640	15	2800	Comdr. Pontius	Shanghai
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Comdr. Deimling	Changhai
Vorwaerts	German gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Comdr. von Welse	Shanghai
Thotis	German cruiser	—	—	—	Captain Dick	Shanghai
Elba	Italian cruiser	2730	10	7471	Captain Volleli	Shanghai
Fiononte	Italian cruiser	2427	34	12,000	Captain Duzina	Shanghai
Vesuvio	Italian cruiser	4600	24	6820	Captain Zeri	Shanghai
Vettor Pisani	Italian cruiser	6500	18	13,000	Capt. Call	Shanghai
Dia	Portuguese gunboat	720	—	—	Captain Diogo de Sa	Macao
Zaire	Portuguese gunboat	600	—	—	Capt. F. J. Barbosa Leal	Macao
Alouet	Russian gunboat	810	6	730	Comdr. Grunster	Vladivostok
Amur	Russian cruiser	2600	5	4700	Comdr. Gamaichikov	Port Arthur
Askold	Russian cruiser	6000	27	—	Capt. Reitzschstein	Sunk (?)
Bayan	Russian cruiser	7800	10	16,500	—	Port Arthur
Bayarin	Russian cruiser	3200	8	—	—	Sunk
Bohr	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1150	Comdr. Erjckovitch	—
Bogaty	Russian cruiser	6640	12	—	—	Port Arthur
Diana	Russian gunboat	6731	6	—	—	Port Arthur
Dmitri	Russian cruiser	1456	3	1700	Capt. Nasarowsky	Port Arthur
Gaidamak	Russian gunboat	600	9	3500	Comdr. Youriel	Port Arthur
Gromobol	Russian gunboat	1490	6	2000	Comdr. Zagarsky	—
Gulnik	Russian cruiser	12,384	44	14,500	Captain Jessen	Vladivostok
Koreets	Russian gunboat	1000	6	1000	Comdr. Shumoff	—
Mandjour	Russian gunboat	1213	7	1500	Comdr. Mikokowsky	—
Navarin	Russian battleship	12,274	7	1400	Commander Crown	Shanghai
Novik	Russian cruiser	10,206	12	9000	—	Port Arthur
Otravny	Russian cruiser	3000	6	17,000	—	—
Pallada	Russian gunboat	1490	8	2000	Comdr. Vasilief	Port Arthur
Pereviet	Russian battleship	6731	12	—	—	Ashore
Potopavlovsk	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,500	Captain Koroleff	Port Arthur
Robeta	Russian battleship	10,980	16	10,400	Captain Jakaroff	Port Arthur
Polava	Russian battleship	12,674	15	14,500	Capt. Zatsardoff	Port Arthur
Rashovica	Russian battleship	10,980	16	10,400	Captain Oeroff	Port Arthur
Rotvizan	Russian cruiser	1334	10	1788	Comdr. Liven	Port Arthur
Rossia	Russian battleship	12,909	16	18,000	—	Ashore
Rurik	Russian protected cruiser	12,320	68	17,000	Captain Sebrennikoff	Vladivostok
Savastopol	Russian battleship	10,223	26	13,250	Capt. Mitr	Vladivostok
Sevastopol	Russian battleship	10,980	16	10,400	Captain Serebrennikoff	Port Arthur
Siroch	Russian gunboat	650	2	1125	Lieut. Comdr. Ivanoff	Port Arthur
Tsarvitch	Russian battleship	10,650	8	1120	Comdr. Gintor	Newchwang
Varyag	Russian battleship	12,900	36	16,300	—	Ashore
Vasnick	Russian cruiser	65.0	27	20,000	Capt. Bahr	Sunk
Zabiyaka	Russian gunboat	600	9	3300	Comdr. Zagoriansky-Klase	Port Arthur
	Russian cruiser	1530	15	1194	Comdr. Abranoff	Port Arthur
Albany	U. S. cruiser	3500	—	—	Capt. Dyer	Shanghai
Annapolis	U. S. gunboat	1000	6	1227	Capt. Bohrer	Shanghai
Calico	U. S. cruiser	235	—	—	Lieut. M. L. Miller	Hongkong
Cincinnati	U. S. gunboat	3213	—	—	Capt. H. E. Mason	—
Don Juan de Austria	U. S. gunboat	1180	—	1600	Captain Denfield	Singapore
Eleana	U. S. gunboat	640	—	—	Lt. Comdr. J. Hood	Shanghai
Helena	U. S. gunboat	1392	3	1928	Comdr. Stanton	Shanghai
Kentucky	U. S. flagships	11,500	41	10,000	Captain B. M. Berry	Shanghai
Monckton	U. S. monitor	3980	6	5000	Captain Mahan	Shanghai
Monocacy	U. S. gunboat	1270	8	850	Comdr. Denfield	Tsien
Monterey	U. S. monitor	4084	4	5244	Comdr. W. H. Beebles	Hongkong
New Orleans	U. S. cruiser	3137	20	—	Commander Sperry	Manila
Oregon	U. S. cruiser	10,225	45	—	Captain Burrell	Kobe
Rainbow	U. S. cruiser	1000	—	—	Commander G. L. Dyer	Manila
Salest	U. S. cruiser	3213	—	—	Captain Nazare	Shanghai
Wickburg	U. S. cruiser	1000	18	1118	Comdr. Marshall	Changhai
Willabow	U. S. gunboat	400	—	—	Lieut. L. O. Bertolotto	Shanghai
Wilkinson	U. S. gunboat	1397	3	1284	Commander U. N. Harris	Shanghai

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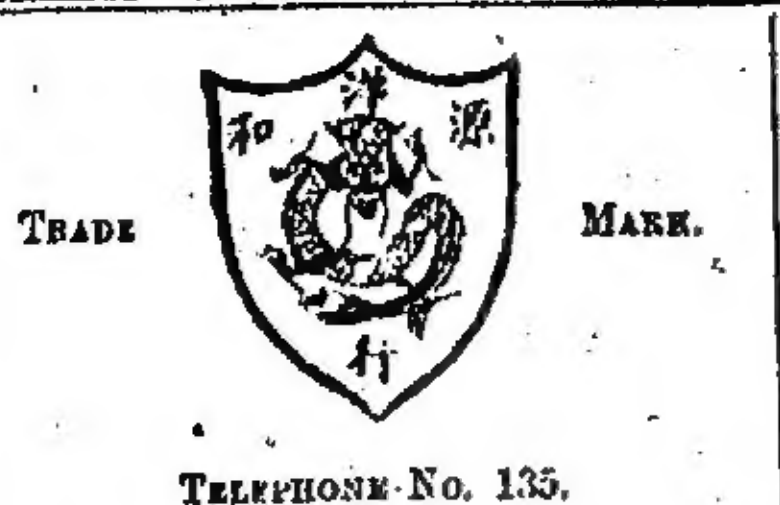
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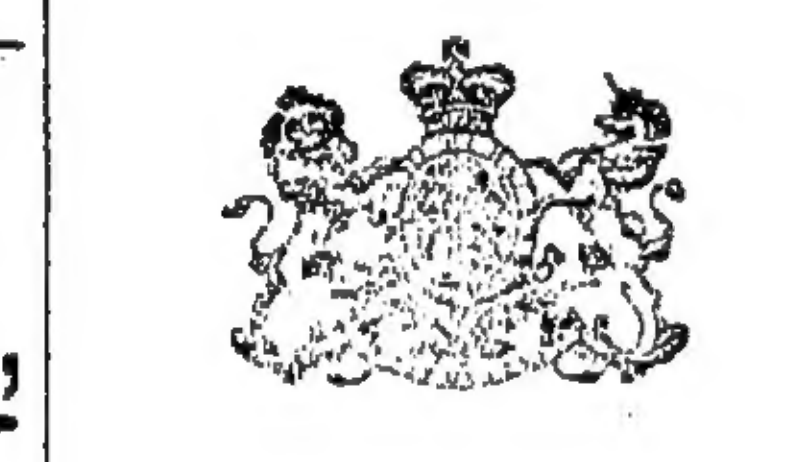
MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.
Miscellaneous.
Goods per Palawan not cleared at 4
p.m. on this date subject to rent.
Goods per Hamburg undelivered after
this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.
SATURDAY, March 26:—
3 p.m. Meeting of Chinese Insurance
Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.
4 p.m. Annual Dinner of Hongkong
Football Club in Hongkong Hotel.

MONDAY, March 28:—
9 45 p.m. Auction of Household Fur-
niture, at West Mount Kellie, the
Park.
Goods per Pina Ferdinand undelivered
after this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, March 29:—
Noon Meeting of Shareholders of Bow-
ling Club, Ltd., on Club Premises.
5.30 p.m. Meeting of Euthen Mark
Lodge.
5.30 p.m. Subscription Concert of Hong-
kong Philharmonic Society in City
Hall.
Goods per Salsette undelivered after
this date at Noon will be subject to
rent and landing charges.

THURSDAY, March 31:—
Noon Meeting of Shareholders of Camp-
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DEATHS.
At Seoul, Korea, on the 19th March,
ALBERT HUNT SCHMIDT, aged 65 years.
(By Telegraph).
At the General Hospital, Shanghai, on
the 19th March, JOHN SNOWDEN, pilot;
aged 71 years.
The publication of this issue commenced
at 5.00 p.m.

The China Mail.
HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 1904.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Rabies at Hanoi.
A letter has been received by the San-
itary Board from the French Consul stating
that there have been no cases of rabies at
Hanoi for some time past.

Bats.
During the fortnight ended March 21,
884 rats were caught in the Colony, of
which 15 were plague infected. This gives
a percentage of 1.63, as against 2.64 for the
preceding fortnight.

Mortality Returns.
The total number of deaths during the
month of February in the Colony was 303,
of which 15 were European. Chest affec-
tions were responsible for 112 deaths, while
fevers carried off 15.

Russian Prize Courts.
The Russian Naval Office have estab-
lished prize courts at Sebastopol, Libau,
Port Arthur and Vladivostok. The Port
Arthur and Vladivostok Courts are not
likely to have much work for some time.

Bowling.
The Hongkong Club and The Navy will
meet in a bowling contest on Friday and
Saturday next, when the following will
represent the Club: Messrs. F. Maitland,
J. Hooper, C. P. Chater, and J. W. C.
Bonmar, E. H. Hinds, T. C. Gray, J. E.
Lee, and W. A. Sims.

The Rackets Championship.
The rackets championship of the Hong-
kong C.C. has resulted in a win for Mr. H.
Hancock, who defeated Mr. Holt, R.N.,
H.M.S. Ocean, in the final. The final of
the Doubles was won by Messrs. R. and
H. Hancock, their opponents being Lieut.
Jellison, R.N., and Mr. Holt, R.N.,
H.M.S. Ocean.

Shanghai-Nanking Railway.
We are sorry to learn upon unimpeach-
able authority (says the *China Gazette*) that
the statement recently published in the
Universal Gazette and translated into some
of the foreign papers without comment,
to the effect that next month will see a start
made with the Shanghai-Nanking Railway,
is entirely wrong. We are no nearer to
the local railway than before, the present
concessionaires having failed utterly so far
to raise the requisite funds.

Deserting the Ship of State.
According to the *N.C. Daily News*,
letters from the North state that so many
officials connected with the various Govern-
ment departments have been leaving Peking
for Southern and Western cities, in order,
of course, to avoid anticipated disturbances
arising out of the present hostilities, that
an Imperial Rescript has been issued com-
manding the instant dismissal from the
Government service of any one discovered
leaving Peking after the 1st of the present
month of March.

War Correspondents and the War.
We understand (says the *Kobe Chroni-
cle* of the 11th inst.) that the first batch of
correspondents, Japanese and foreign, some
twenty in number, have received notice of
the division to which they will be attached,
which may not indicate that they are short-
ly to go to the front. It seems that the
allotting is done entirely by the War Office,
the correspondents not being consulted.
As they are in ignorance or must assume
ignorance of where the first division is to
go, it would seem to be little use for the
correspondent to express any preference.

Troubles in Kwangsi.
Recent dispatches from Kwangsi (says
the *N.C. Daily News*) report that mal-
contents and bandits of that province are
beginning once more to start upon their
guerrilla warfare against the Government,
and Viceroy Tso is making elaborate pre-
parations to put a stop to it. To do this
H.E. has been again drawing upon other
provinces for reinforcements, no less than
6,000 men being asked for from the Gov-
ernor of Shensi alone. It is also stated in
reliable quarters in Canton that Viceroy
Tso intends to make a careful selection
out of all the troops he has drawn from the
various provinces, as well as from the re-
giments he has himself raised and organized
in Kwangtung province, and with these
picked battalions form the nucleus of a
proposed army of 40,000 reliable soldiers
who are to be entirely armed and provided
with the best rifles procurable and drilled
and organized after the modern style.
These troops are to be held ready for trans-
port to the North, with Viceroy Tso him-
self at their head, whenever circumstances
of war require their presence outside
Shanghai.

Conscience Money.
Most English dictionaries define con-
science money as payment of income tax
previously evaded, but this definition is
too restricted, as is proved by the £20
conscience money received by the South-
eastern and Chatham Railway Company.
The earliest use of the word, according to
the *New English Dictionary*, was in 1887,
but Home, in his 'Table Book,' under the
title 'Effect of Conscience,' tells of a man
who sent £300 to the Chancellor of the
Exchequer on March 30th, 1789. The
sum was enclosed with the Chancellor's
order as an honest man
to apply the money so that 'the nation
may not suffer by its having been detained
from the public treasury, and thus give
evidence of conscience to an honest man.'

The English Language.
The urgent demand of the language,
of which mention was made recently
by a correspondent, needs to be stayed by
occasional protests, says the *London
Chronicle*. The new education committees
are being called in many quarters
'educational' committees. This false
reformation reminds one of the common
inscription, 'monumental mason,' which
should be 'monumental mason.' It is not
the architect who is monumental, compare
'numerical printer' for 'number printer.'
People fear to use a noun as an adjective,
or wrongly prefer the adjective as more
elegant. 'War Office' and 'India Office'
are correct expressions, better than
'military' or 'indian' offices while
'colonial office' is not so good as
'colonies office' would be.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.
A considerable fall of snow is reported
from Chinkiang on the 16th inst.

The French Mail of the 23rd February
was delivered in London on the 23rd
March.

Without war, Alexander III. added
429,895 square miles in Asia to the Rus-
sian Empire. So says a writer in a Shang-
hai contemporary.

There were 232 European and 70
Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library,
and 42 European and 2,619 Chinese to the
Museum during the week ending 20th
March.

On the 18th inst., the Franco-Russian
daily at Shanghai published the follow-
ing:—All is calm at Port Arthur. There
have been some skirmishes in the north of
Corea. The ice is beginning to thaw.

It is announced in the *London Gazette*
that H.M. the King has made the following
appointment:—Walter Beaupre Townley,
Esq., to be Secretary to His Majesty's
Embassy at Constantinople; and the Hon.
Lancelot Douglas Carnegie, M.V.O., to be
Secretary to the Legation in Peking.

The funeral took place yesterday af-
ternoon of Mr. F. A. Rapp, assistant to
Messrs. Wenzel and Co. Deceased was a
young man, who took an active interest in
athletics, and was a prominent member of
the V.R.C. crews at the last Regatta.
Death occurred at the Peak Hospital, and
was due to typhoid fever.

Owing to the resignation of Inspector
Hoggarth of the Sanitary Board, Inspector
Thomas Abley was deputed to institute
summary proceedings against any person
contravening any of the By-laws made un-
der Sec. 16 of the Public Health and Build-
ings Ordinance 1903, and also to institute
proceedings to recover any penalties impos-
ed under the said Ordinance.

Union Church Literary Club.
Members of the Union Church Literary
Club are reminded that this evening, at
nine o'clock sharp, Mr. A. S. D. Couland
will read a paper on 'John Bright.'

Alice Memorial Hospital.
The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Mem-
orial and Netherdale Hospitals begs to
acknowledge with thanks the following
donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—
Rev. T. Wright \$5

Russia and England.
A telegram from Berlin states that the
Neues Wiener Tagblatt learns from
Russian sources that the recent mission of
Count Benckendorff, the Russian Am-
bassador at London, to St. Petersburg, has
been a success. It is alleged that a
cordial understanding has been arrived at
between Great Britain and Russia.

Book by War Correspondents.
The foreign war correspondents in
Tokyo, with a view to assisting the funds
of the Red Cross Society, and also presuma-
bly to while away the time which they
will yet have to wait before going to the
front (adds the *Kobe Chronicle*), have
agreed to contribute to a volume which will
be under the joint editorship of Mr. E. F.
Knight and Mr. George Lynch. The
volume will consist of a relation of the
most thrilling experience in the lives of the
contributors. The volume will be illustrat-
ed by Mr. Melton Prior, and the whole of
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eastern and Chatham Railway Company.

The earliest use of the word, according to
the *New English Dictionary*, was in 1887,
but Home, in his 'Table Book,' under the
title 'Effect of Conscience,' tells of a man
who sent £300 to the Chancellor of the
Exchequer on March 30th, 1789. The
sum was enclosed with the Chancellor's
order as an honest man
to apply the money so that 'the nation
may not suffer by its having been detained
from the public treasury, and thus give
evidence of conscience to an honest man.'

The urgent demand of the language,
of which mention was made recently
by a correspondent, needs to be stayed by
occasional protests, says the *London
Chronicle*. The new education committees
are being called in many quarters
'educational' committees. This false
reformation reminds one of the common
inscription, 'monumental mason,' which
should be 'monumental mason.' It is not
the architect who is monumental, compare
'numerical printer' for 'number printer.'
People fear to use a noun as an adjective,
or wrongly prefer the adjective as more
elegant. 'War Office' and 'India Office'
are correct expressions, better than
'military' or 'indian' offices while
'colonial office' is not so good as
'colonies office' would be.

TELEGRAMS.

THE VOTE OF CENSURE.
LONDON, March 22.
Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's vote
of censure was rejected by 293 to 242.

**CHINESE LABOUR IN THE
TRANSVAAL.**
The House of Lords has rejected a
motion to defer the introduction of Chinese
until representative government is granted
to the Transvaal.

THE WAR.
An official Russian despatch, confirming
that Japanese infantry and artillery occupi-
ed Anju and Ping Yang, says that an
increased movement of troops between
these places is noticeable.

Reuter's Agency at St. Petersburg wires
that it is unofficially stated that the Japa-
nese re-opened the bombardment of Port
Arthur on the 22nd inst.

General Kuropatkin has left Irkutsk,
where eleven soldiers have recently been
shot for pillaging and rape.

The Russian cruiser *Aurora* and three
destroyers have arrived at Bizerta.

PORT ARTHUR.

**British Naval Attaché's State-
ment.**
Tokyo, March 17.—Captain Troubridge,
British Naval Attaché, attached to Admiral
Togo's Squadron, has just returned from
Port Arthur.

He saw the whole attack of the 10th
infantry and speaks in the highest terms of
the pluck and determination of the Japa-
nese.

Their aim, he says, was splendid, nearly
all their shells hit, destroying some of the
forts, and setting fire to the buildings.
The enemy's shells fell around the
Captain's vessels till the sea seemed literally
boiling.—*China Gazette*.

**A SHANGHAI DOOLEY ON
THE WAR.**

'R-right ye are, Hinniessey. Th' war
still drage us tejeus course along, an
nothin' happens that isn't unhappened
imjouis be th' pappers th' next mornen.
Th' Jappanners is cellybratin' glorjus vic-
tories at home wid an' an' an' cake
drinkin', an' makin' th' Ayumurian cor-
respondents drunk on th' onfamiliar be-
verage be tolken in th' fact that yer wan
in sowl an' politien an' colour, not forgettin'
th' thorrade, while th' Raskissian is remindin'
th' 'ward an' it's a Tipperary likin' th'
Jappanners th' loe after gettin' whin'
th' telegraph-line to Yarnu. Is it
wance more in wurkin' order. General
Tuttutaki deployed free hundred thou-
sand soljers across th' Yalu, but
th' supply is golf-caddies bein' deficient,
he deployed them all back again, an' th'
Jappanners occupied th' line widout
scurous loss. In consequence it is th'
manjoor bein' durned at Shanghai, th'
Rooshian admiral decided to abandon th'
anagual naval cutiet, an' converted th'
remainder in his vessels into flyin'-ships.
Santy-klaus Dooomine, it is reported wid
reserve, refused to take com and in th'
re-organized or deorganized fleet on th'
ground that twud be a breach in th' naval-
ty. Admiral Tally informed his Gur'ment
that he done it, wid th' alp in his gallyunt
Sanyoureyo an' th' illustrious favour in
his immortal autistaters. Th' war corres-
pondents at Novechwang sent a round-robin
to th' Ayumurian consul complainin' that in
th' absence of anything done, th' arbitrary
Rooshians insisted on keepin' th' manjor-
factoor in news in th' own hands, an' ask-
ed if this wasn't unconfool evidence in th'
necessity in Protection, fr'm Chamberlain
or anybody, so long's they got it. Th' Ja-
pannississid tickets—return half not to be
given up unless required be th' Law in Na-
tions—to nine hundred an' fifty free cor-
respondents to go to Corea, purried they
loaded their cameras wid blank cartridge
only. There's a lot more of it, Hinniessey,
if ye tikie th' thrable 'r read th' pappers an'
a thruble it is, that same. Fr'm London 'r
Bombay it comes that th' Rooshians is dam-
ning th' Yalu an' th' Jappanners can't git
across, an' th' Jappanners is dampin' th'
Rooshians for similar reasons. Fr'm Bom-
bay 'r London of hear that Tibet has sur-
rendered, an' th' Imperer in Lhasa gawn to
th' front as a war correspondent. Fr'm
Ayumuria 'r Tokyo an' th' Filippines th'
said that Ayumurian sympathy is still
oosin' fr'm th' head-line, an' fr'm Shanghai
'r Paris that Mr. De Suez has been drowned
in th' Canal, an' th' Englands an' th' best
men at th' all. Wha's all got to do wid
th' war or don't know for certain, but it's
headed 'war news' in all th' pappers.
Speakin' sayrions, Hinniessey, an' ye know
it will have me joko at tomoer, there's
somethin' very fishy about th' present
alleged war. Th' raystyal is both sides to
serve correspondents at th' cantecent can't
be heuz they'd anile whistratory. There
aint no strategy, for th' wurk in th'
officers consists in 'wakin' up fr'm pleasant
slumber wid a real 'creek in th' neck an'
studdyin' th' Markies o' Queensberry's
rules in etiketty. A few on-drowey
newspaper men wid th' Rooshian Army
aid majors save thim fr'm an' an' an' an'
Arthur in their sleep. No man can score
two mashes, says Father Kelly, an' how
them soljers can't attend to business when
they're all th' toime blackleggin' th'
Press, an' supplyin' th' pappers at home
wid th' seere in th' game that isn't played
ye more than of can toll, Hinniessey.
War is far too glint an' an' an' an' an'
Board Schules wuz thrown in as canwar-
ma son. Will Admiral Titokunwa oblige
C'mander Notuyetaki be refrainin', he
says, fr'm bringin' up th' C'mander's vallet
an' find his Honour's misleadin' lyvender
gloves. Th' onnagous condole 'in th'
Rooshian soljers, says the *Daily Jav.*
'in th' Hinkode, in London, wid real
bullets gives us a bad opinyon, it says, in
Western civilization, it says.
'Not so ginteel, neither, Doooley, if ye
read about th' Jappanes sailor who jumped
on board in the Starogumchik, saw th'
Rooshian captain 'wakin' him up in th'
coal-chute, out awf his head, an' kicked it
overboard.
'Thrice for ye, Hinniessey. That was
not what, he polloguined. 'Oid have
kierred more in th' civilization an' ob-
vally in Japan, if he'd been satisfied wid
takin' th' man's scalp, an' tuckin' it in his
bag. It sounds monstrous to kick a head
overboard for th' chance an' it could be
doin'.

**LUZON SUGAR REFINING
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

Annual Meeting.
The twenty-second annual general meet-
ing of the Luzon Sugar Refining Company,
Limited, was held to-day in the office of the
general agents, Messrs Jardine, Matheson
and Company, Pedder Street.

The Hon. C. W. Dickson was in the chair,
and there were present:—Messrs P. A.
Barlow, J. C. Peter, G. H. Potts, E. J.
Mason, W. J. Gresson, G. H. Ross, J. M.
de Gues, J. Barton (Secretary), Ho Fook,
and others.
The Secretary read the notice convening
the meeting, and the Chairman said:—
Gentlemen,—As indicated in the report
now before you, there has been no work
done at the Refinery during last year,
circumstances with which you are already
conversant continuing to render this im-
possible, and the accounts now submitted
show only an increased debit balance by
the addition of fire insurance, interest and
such minimum expenditure as was
necessary to keep the Machinery and
buildings in a satisfactory condition.
The outlook, with regret to say, is
no more promising than it was a year ago.
It is difficult, under prevailing circum-
stances, to shape any other course than
that being pursued, although it is obvious
that this cannot go on indefinitely; but I
may say that if any reasonable offer for the
property were received, I should not
hesitate to at once put it before you for
your favourable consideration. I beg to
formally move the adoption of the Report
and Accounts as presented.
Mr Barlow seconded, and the motion
was carried.
Mr Potts proposed the re-election of
Messrs J. H. Lewis and A. G. Wood to
the consulting committee.
On being seconded by Mr Mason, the
motion was carried.
Mr T. Arnold was re-elected auditor, on
the motion of Mr Ross, seconded by Mr
Peter.
The Chairman—That is all the business,
gentlemen; thank you for your attendance.

**CHINA SUGAR REFINING
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

Annual Meeting.
The twenty-sixth annual general meeting
of the China Sugar Refining Company,
Limited, was held at noon to-day in the
Company's office, Pedder Street.

The Hon. C. W. Dickson was in the
chair, and there were also present:—Sir
Paul Chater, R. C. Wilcox, A. G. Wood,
E. Shellin, J. R. Michael, A. Rodger, W.
H. Gaskell, S. J. Michael, G. H. Potts, F.
Smyth, J. C. Peter, A. Bain, T. S. Forrest,
Ho Fook, Lo Cheung Shui, and others.
The Secretary read the notice convening
the meeting and the Chairman said:—
Gentlemen,—I assume you will have no
objection to taking the Report as read.
There is no special feature in connection
with the working of the Refineries during
last year to which I could usefully refer.
The difficulties attending our uncertain
currency are, of course, still with us, but
these I am sure you already fully appreciate.
A higher level of exchange cheapened
purchases of Raw Sugar, and enabled us to
secure greater margins on sales made in
silver, the volume of which will be of in-
terest to you to know about a very encourag-
ing income. Fluctuations in price were
much less severe than we had been
accustomed to for some time previously,
and now that the pernicious system of
bounties is a thing of the past, it is not un-
reasonable to suppose that when the still
large stock of bounty-fed sugars are worked
off, speculation in the articles will be de-
termined by factors which can be more rea-
sonably gauged. It has been deemed prudent
to write down our stock and forward pur-
chases of raw sugar to a point which should
ensure the present year not being saddled
with unduly high cost, a course which I
feel sure will have your approval.
While the inability for the second year in
succession to pay any return to share-
holders in matter of regret to the General
Agents, yet you will doubtless regard the
result of workin' for 1903 as not unreason-
able, the profit made representing as it
does 14 1/2 per cent. on the Capital of the
Company. There is still, unfortunately,
a rather considerable sum at deficit of Profit
and Loss, which must be recovered before we
again reach a dividend-paying stage, but if
present prospects hold, there is good ground
for hoping that this will be achieved before
another year's accounts are submitted to you.
I beg formally to move that the Report
and Accounts as presented be adopted and
passed.

Mr Potts seconded, and the motion was
carried.
Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Messrs R. C.
Wilcox, A. G. Wood and E. Shellin were
re-elected to the Committee, on the motion
of Mr Potts, seconded by Mr Gaskell.
Mr Smyth proposed the re-election of
Mr W. Hutton Potts and Mr T. Arnold as
Auditors.
Mr J. R. Michael seconded, and it was
carried.
The Chairman—Thank you for your
attendance, gentlemen.

'The National Review.'

Under Mr L. J. Mase's editorship,
The National Review maintains an excep-
tionally high standard of excellence. Its
contents may be a trifle heavy for the
ordinary reader, who reads more for recrea-
tion than information; but to anyone who
takes an intelligent interest in public affairs
in the wider sense, this Review supplies
mental pabulum of a reliable nature from
the pens of the ablest writers of the day. In
the number for February, His Excellency
Senator Eugenio Montero Rios, President
of the Spanish Senate, writes on Spain and
Morocco. Mr H. W. Wilson proposes a
National Tariff for National Defence, and
two more articles which will be read with
interest in this Far Eastern outpost of
British influence are Mr Arnold-White's
Guns and Parliament and A Retired
Officer's View of the Army. Professor
R. H. Inglis Polgrave, whose
articles on the Fiscal Question have done
much to form public opinion, is responsible for
Colonial Friends and Foreign Rivals.
Miss Evelyn Godley reviews the plays of
London's winter season in a graceful and
interesting manner, and Mr Barlow, an
author of 'Pot Pouri,' carries on, her
cruelty against doctors. 'The Problem of
Alien Immigration' is discussed by Major
W. Evans Gordon, M.P., a member of the
Royal Commission on Alien Immigration.
The other articles, while not light fare, are
of great interest, and the Editor's Review on
current events are well worth reading. The
National Review is the best of its kind.

**CAMPBELL, MOORE AND
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

The following is the report of the Board
of Directors of the eighteenth ordinary
meeting of shareholders to be held at the
Company's Office, No. 29, Queen's Road
Central, on Thursday, the 31st inst., at

THE BASEL MISSION.

An Appeal for Funds.

In this time of warfare, when every man's mind is attracted by the grandness of political actions going on in the north-east of China, it is rather with hesitation that the German Basel Mission, with its central station in Hongkong and four other stations in the nearest parts of the Shan On district bordering upon the New Territory, tries to draw the attention of the public of Hongkong to the works of peace carried on by the old Basel Mission, not only there but also at ten stations occupied by Europeans in the north-east of Canton Province.

In both regions of the country is their mission work much retarded, partly by lack of pecuniary means, partly also by a pitiful warfare against Christians, which has been carried on with more violence than ever since 1900 by robbers and enemies of everything foreign, who grow more daring every year, because they are in many cases not punished at all. Last autumn, five families of Christians in a village in the neighbourhood of Chai-ke-ang were robbed of everything they had in their houses. The robbers moved and stole their paddy at night, dug out their sweet potatoes, knocked a cow down as usual, where she was found a week afterwards, putrefying and without her copper nose-ring. A year before that, they beat a Christian, using large bamboo and hardwood sticks so severely that the man died four days after. The fine of 8857, which ten man-layers had to pay to the widow and to a number of her and the man's relations, was, against written agreement, partly got up by mortgaging the ancestral property and its produce, belonging to the persecuted Christians. Last January, robbers stole five cows belonging to a Christian near Sun On city, and hid them in a village near Mon-long, on the New Territory of Kowloon. Happily, the eldest son of this man had a friend employed as sergeant in the police station of Mon-long, who had the cattle returned to their owner by order of the police authorities of Hongkong. When, however, the owner with his cows arrived home, he found his house had been robbed in broad daylight of every article of movable property by a number of people, fairly well known to the robbed family, as their home lying-lyang is only one li distant from Pak-shek, the village of their enemies. This family, until today, has in spite of having given early information to the judge in Nantshau, got back nothing of the stolen property, because the robbers are backed by the head of the district-city-magistrate.

In consequence of these and many other acts of enmity committed towards the Christians in time of dearth and famine, most of them are now, as regards money, in a poor and helpless condition, and cannot in any sufficient measure do what they commonly used to do, viz. contribute regularly to church funds collected for the purpose of erecting school-buildings and paying salaries.

Owing to the continued falling off of contributions from friends in South Germany and a steadily increasing annual expenditure, rendered inevitable in consequence of the necessity since the Revolution of 1900 for maintaining a sanatorium in Hongkong, and the construction of a middle school and teachers' seminary at Fuchuk-pai on the East River, it has been found necessary to leave the cost of the erection of buildings and houses for native helpers to the care of the native congregations, and such European and American friends as live in the neighbourhood. The public of Hongkong and the adjacent country, and especially those who contemplate the construction of the railway to Canton, owe a debt of gratitude to the Basel Mission, who are smoothing the way for approaching reforms. Wherever an inland chapel or mission is to be found, the foreigners will find Chinese Christian friends. Apart altogether, then, from the propagation of Christian ideals, it will pay the foreigners to give the missions all the help they can. Old residents know of the good work carried on by the Basel Mission in the hinterland of Hongkong, and younger residents may accept the statement that the Basel missionaries have done much to break down the walls of superstition and prejudice, the *fungshui* which has proved the principal stumbling-block to real progress in this vast Empire of China. We therefore commend to our readers this appeal for financial support. Any contributions will be gratefully acknowledged by the Basel Mission, Canton Road.—Continued.

Band at King Edward Hotel.

By kind permission of Lt.-Col. Irromp and Officers, the Band of the 33rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music at the above Hotel, during dinner, on Friday, the 25th March, (weather permitting):—

March "Defiance" Our Hymn
Song "Hiawatha" More
Selection "The Rose of Persia"
Song "The Honey-suckle and the Bee" Penn
Selection "Songs without Words"
Valse "Whisper and I shall hear" Othilde
Sarcutelle "The Original Nape"
GOD SAVE THE KING.

Lyrics, Jennie (looking at fat woman)—
Well, I hope Santa Claus will come to our house before he fills that lady's stockings.

RUSSIAN PRISONERS.

Released at Nagasaki.

The Russians and others released from the vessels seized which are now at Saicho arrived at Nagasaki on Thursday morning (says the *Kobe Chronicle* of March 10). The ceremony of discharging these prisoners of war was to have been rather elaborate; the refugees were to be first handed over to the chief military authority, by him to the Governor, and by the Governor to the Consuls of those who had lately been prisoners. In order to simplify this ceremony, however, Secretary Noguchi, representing the Governor and the French Consul (in charge of Russian interests), and the representative of the Chinese Consul, boarded the steamer when it arrived at Nagasaki, and the names of the people on board were compared with a register, after which they were allowed to go on shore. Russian subjects predominated, and among them were missionaries, ships' officers, and women, some children. Great pleasure was manifested by everybody when leaving the ship. There was some difficulty in landing, as the wharf was crowded with spectators.

The *Nagasaki* and *Dofin-naru* were the vessels which conveyed the prisoners. On the former steamer were 20 invalided soldiers, a physician, a missionary, 2 Government officials, and 3 men from the *Elaterodary*, 3 invalided soldiers, 31 Russian civilians, 39 Chinese, 1 physician, and 2 Japanese from the *Argus*; 29 Russians, 21 Chinese, and 1 Japanese from the *Mukden*. There were besides 27 Russians and 1 Dane; including 12 Russian women and 84 Chinese from the *Michael*, 12 Japanese and 6 Koreans from a steamer, the name of which is not given; 1 seaman and 1 Chinese from the *Nicola*; 15 Russians, 4 Chinese, and 1 Norwegian from the *Bozian*, totalling 148, or by both steamers, 410. The people will be accommodated in hotels until there is a steamer to take them away.

CHINESE LABOUR QUESTION.

The Proposed Regulations.

A White Paper (Africa No. 3) was issued on the 10th ult. containing correspondence respecting the introduction of Chinese labour in the Transvaal. On October 23 last, Prince Ching, on behalf of the Tsungli-Yamen, communicated with Sir E. Satow with reference to a letter he had received from Chang Tu-Jen, the Chinese Minister to England, advising him that it was desired to introduce Chinese labour into the Transvaal. The Prince recommended that regulations should be drawn up by the British Foreign Office and Chang Tu-Jen. The draft of the Labour Ordinance was communicated by Lord Lansdowne to Chang Tu-Jen, who was asked his opinion as to whether the Ordinance would be acceptable to the Chinese Government as a basis for the proposed regulations. His Excellency replied (Feb. 11) in the following terms:—

"The Ordinance in question being a measure affecting the internal economy of the Transvaal, I have to recognize the courtesy and consideration of His Majesty's Government in consulting me with regard to it before giving it the force of law. A similar course on the part of some of the self-governing Colonies who have passed laws offensive to the Chinese Government would have obviated the necessity for much of the acrimonious correspondence from this side which has taken place with respect to the legislative indignities which have been heaped on Chinese immigrants into some of the self-governing Colonies. I have given the draft Ordinance, which is the one referred to in Lord Milner's note of January 4, my careful consideration, and I am glad to be able to inform your Lordship that I do not find anything in it which is likely to conflict with anything I shall have to propose when we come to negotiate the 'Regulation' for the supervision and protection of Chinese immigrants provided for in Article V. of the Treaty of Peking. But, as in the course of these negotiations I shall have to propose the appointment of Consuls or Consular Agents to watch over the interests and welfare of the immigrants, I would respectfully venture to suggest, for the consideration of His Majesty's Government, the insertion, at any convenient places in the Ordinance of the following additions and alterations:—

"1. That the Consul or Consular Agent of the country of the immigrant shall have power to visit the mines and inspect the places prepared for the accommodation of the immigrants at all reasonable times, and to make representations to the authorities on the subject of any matter affecting the comfort and well-being of the immigrant which may appear to him necessary.

"2. That in no case shall it be allowable for the employer or his servant to inflict corporal punishment on the immigrant, and that any violation of this provision shall be punishable at law as a common assault.

"3. That the person styled 'the importer' shall be a bona fide employer of labour, and not a mere dealer or speculator in labour; and that the transfer or assignment of the labourer to another employer shall only be made with the consent of the immigrant and the approval of the Consul or Consular Agent of the country.

"4. This is necessary in order to prevent the immigrant from being made a mere chattel article of commerce.

"5. That the immigration shall be made only in British bottoms or ships of the Nation to which the immigrant belongs, and under the regulations instituted by the British Board of Trade for ships employed in carrying immigrants.

"The adoption of these suggestions by the authorities of the Transvaal would much contribute to render the Ordinance more acceptable to the Imperial Government of China, and to the gaining of the confidence of intending immigrants; more especially in Provinces whose inhabitants have not hitherto been in the habit of emigrating to foreign countries.

This letter was communicated to the Colonial Office and by telegraph to Lord Milner. No difficulty was foreseen in drawing up the regulations, and the Paper closes with a suggestion on Mr. Lytton's behalf that a Conference on the subject should meet at the Foreign Office at the earliest possible date.—*The Standard*.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' PENSION FUND.

'Abolition' the Only Satisfactory Solution?

As there is a good deal of dissatisfaction with the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Fund in Hongkong, the following extract from the *Times of Ceylon* will have a local interest:—

A despatch from the Secretary of State, dated 22nd January, regarding the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Fund, and covering one and a quarter sides of closely-printed foolscap, was laid on the Press table at the Secretariat at 4.15 p.m. to-day (7th inst.).

Regarding the new tables, the Secretary of State thinks the Directors of the Fund are under a misapprehension. The new tables fix what would be the proper scale of pensions if the Fund were to start ab initio on the existing bases and including the 6 per cent. contribution from the Colonial Government. Mr. Lytton concurs in the view expressed that Ordinance No. 1 of 1898, does not give members of the Fund any claim to participate in the surplus to the exclusion of the Colonial Government. He has come to the conclusion that the only satisfactory solution is that which has just been adopted in Jamaica, viz., that the fund should be abolished, and the Ceylon Government should take over all the assets and liabilities and guarantee all pensions on the basis of the revised tables. If this course is adopted in Ceylon, the members of the fund can have no possible right to consider that they have not been given the utmost they can claim from the fund, and to request that the Governor will, at the earliest possible date, introduce an ordinance to carry out this proposal.

HOCKEY FINAL.

Won by 110th Mahatras.

The hockey final between H.M.S. Ocean and 110th Mahatras was played yesterday afternoon and resulted in a win for the native team by four goals to three. The teams were as follow:—

H.M.S. Ocean.—Edgell, goal; Harbottle, and Smith, backs; Chapman, Schwann, Gregory, halves; Hamilton, Dowling, Holt, Drake-Brockman, and Biset, forwards.

The 110th Mahatras Light Infantry.—Ahmad Khan, goal; Vishni Ghose, and Britton, backs; Gena Powar, Hill, and Stephen, halves; Krishnasena Chorpuri, Shaik Kasim, Heath, Maroti Yadav, and Branson, forwards.

The Navy team were the aggressors during the opening spell and several shots at goal were attempted. For some time the Mahatras continued to repulse the Ocean team, but they eagerly returned to the attack. The first man to score was Holt, of the Ocean, who placed the ball through the posts. This success on the part of their opponents lived up to the Mahatras, and they attacked vigorously. Exciting play followed until Maroti Yadav equalised the scores. Some time afterwards Heath added another goal for the Mahatras. In the second half the same player scored again, giving the Mahatras a lead of two goals, but these were soon wiped off, Dowling and Drake-Brockman scoring for the Navy team. With the score equal both teams played well, until Heath, by a fine piece of play, scored his third goal, making 4 goals to 3. These scores were unaltered when time was called.

PRESENTATION OF THE CUP.

At the conclusion of the game the cup was presented to the victorious team by Mr. J. Barton, of Messrs Jardine, Matheson and Company. In making the presentation Mr. Barton remarked that the two teams were equally matched, and though the naval men had not won they were not to be despised. He referred to the growing interest in hockey, which was not confined to the male sex alone.

When Lt. Heath received the cup for his side both teams indulged in cheering, which was continued for some time.

THE BANKRUPTCY LAWS.

Comments by the Chief Justice.

During the hearing of a bankruptcy petition at the Supreme Court this morning, the Chief Justice (Sir William Gooden) said the Bankruptcy Law was at present abused by debtors who desired all its benefits without any of its responsibilities. It was true, that, practically, the law was the same in England as in this Colony, but, unfortunately, in Hongkong they had not the same class of people with whom to deal.

Mr. Bruce Shepherd pointed out that creditors got some benefit, as if no bankruptcy proceedings were taken they could take possession of debtor's property and run away with the goods.

His Lordship mentioned that at the outset debtors brought two or three actions in the Summary Court, which, of course, meant costs of the solicitors and so on. Sometimes there was a lengthy legal argument, the Judge's time was wasted, and, finally, judgment was given against the man who, after several others had taken similar steps, said 'I think I must go to prison for this; I have not the least intention of paying, but I will go to the Chief Justice and get a receiving order.'

He did so, and nothing more was heard of them. His Lordship said if he had time, he would see if some sort of security could not be given. He would not do more, and so far as he could see at present there was no way of altering the law. He thought, however, it was worthy of consideration, and said he would be very glad to hear from Mr. Shepherd if there was really a feasible plan of making it a condition that a man who got the protection of the bankruptcy law should undertake to remain a bankrupt or put in an appearance.

If he did not do so, he was guilty of contempt of Court; but how could a man be committed, he asked, when he went away to China?

Mrs. W.—'That picture of one of the old masters.' North: 'The new mind—well, it can't be of any value, because, even if he'd been taken it would have been moved.'

THE FOG BOOK.

(Reproduced by Special Permission from the 'Celestial Evening Roast'.)

A perfectly reliable brand of the 'suld kirk,' by restricting themselves to the use of which mariners taking their departure from the Hongkong bar are enabled to steer a correct course for Blake Pier, is always on hand at the Office of this paper. Our Marine Expert is willing to exhibit (and sample same) along with nautical scientists interested.

The British steamer *Sudden Jerk*, Captain Phil Garlick, reports steamer *Allomessid* with broken tail shaft in China Sea. Captain signalled no assistance required, but if *Sudden Jerk* had any beer on board they did not want, it could be accommodated. At present, ship's company engaged splicing shaft with Number One Cargo Derrick, and expected to proceed about the New Year. Later:—*Allomessid* reported arrived safely at destination, and that it was not shaft that had broken down but low pressure cylinder that had broken up. The ship's engineers, after working two hundred and twenty-seven hours between drinks, succeeded in fitting the big pump to do the work of the busted cylinder; and it is expected, that the Local Insurance Companies, with their usual well-known liberality, will recognise this case of unique ingenuity and splendid self-sacrifice.

The British steamer *Crab*, Captain G. G. Jollison, with mails and executioner's swords from Canton, reports passing John Bull House-boat (We must get a little Yankee journalism in sometimes!) *Jam-haze* outside the Capimoon flying sign:—'Two days out come to-morrow from Kowloon, short of champagne and paté de foie gras.' Captain of *Crab* sent on board half-a-dozen of Watson's Cholera Mixture, E. quality, and proceeded.

We learn with pleasure that it is proposed to form a Deep-Sea Demon's Association in Hongkong, to be called the 'War Office,' in deference to the famous institution of a like nature in Shanghai. As it is proposed to run this club on a strictly 'chit' basis, the promoters have no doubt of its being an unmitigated success.

A rumour was current on the Water Front yesterday that yet another duel may be the outcome of the unfortunate mix-up in the refreshment department at the Mechanic's Hop. The Elder, who is now convalescent, avows that it was not the MacFarlane, but another gentleman of the same name and appearance, who, wanting proper sustenance, tried at 2.30 a.m. to drink the harbour dry. So, again, the Fiery Cross is scratchin on the darkling slopes of Ben Taimoshan, and interesting developments are expected.—*Continued*.

New Battleships for Japan.

As recently reported by Reuter (says the *Kobe Chronicle*) the contracts for the construction of two Japanese battleships, the *Katori* and *Kashima*, were signed on the 30th January in England. Each vessel will be of 10,400 tons displacement, and will be fitted with machinery to enable a speed of between 18½ and 19 knots to be attained. The armour protection will be arranged on the concentrated casemate system first introduced by the *Mikasa*, completed in 1902 by the Vickers Company, and since adopted in the eight British battleships of the *King Edward VII* class, as well as the *Triumph* and *Swiftsure*—the two vessels originally built for the Chilean navy. The new Japanese ships are to be more heavily armed than the *King Edward VII* class, the weight of shot being increased to 11 tons per minute, as compared with nine tons in the British ships, so that the new Japanese ships are the most powerful yet ordered for any navy. Both ships are to be delivered within 18 months.

His Feeling Faculty.—'I don't see anything remarkable in that mule, said the prospective purchaser, 'except that he's stone-blind.' 'Yes, Sir,' replied the mule's proprietor, 'he blind' in his eye—yes, yes, order see him feel for you with his heels!'

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To-day's Advertisements

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.
THE Company's Steamship, *HAIOONG*, Captain Gings, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 27th March, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, March 24, 1904.

To-day's Advertisements

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

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TWEEDS, CLOTHS, VICUNAS, CASHMERE, FLANNELS, SERGES, &c., &c., &c. Terms:—Cash on delivery. GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer. Hongkong, March 24, 1904.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA. THE Company's Steamship *LOONGSANG*, Captain WHIGALL, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 31st inst., at 4 p.m.

This steamer has superior accommodation for First-Class Passengers, and is fitted throughout with Electric Light and carries a Doctor.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE. STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERY, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, ADEN, DAILOUT, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITE, RRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, &c.

Also PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 5th April, 1904, at 1 p.m., the Company's Steamship *ARMAND BEHIO*, Captain FLANDRY, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPOOLS, and CARGO, will leave this Port for MANILA, via Port of Call, WZHOVZ TRANSIT.

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Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon only on MONDAY, the 4th April. Specie and Parcels received until 4 p.m. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on TUESDAY.

Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and value of Packages are required. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent. Hongkong, March 24, 1904.

To-day's Advertisements

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THE SECOND SUBSCRIPTION CONCERT will be given on TUESDAY, 29th MARCH, at 5.30 P.M. in the THEATRE ROYAL, when MENDELSSOHN'S 'HYMN OF PRAISE' WILL BE GIVEN BY FULL CHORUS and ORCHESTRA.

SOLOISTS: Miss MURRAY BAIN, Mr. G. P. LAMBERT, Mrs. CRADDOCK, Mr. G. H. EDWARDS. Prices of Admission to non-subscribers:—£2, £1, and 50 cents. Seats may now be booked at Robinson Piano Co., Ltd. PETER DOW, Hon. Secretary (Vocal). H. W. D. SCHMIDT, Hon. Secretary (Orchestra). Hongkong, March 24, 1904.

PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell, by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY, the 30th March, 1904, at 2.30 p.m., at 'ROSEBATH,' No. 2, GARDEN ROAD, Kowloon,—

A QUANTITY OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE. (Full Particulars from Catalogue). Terms:—Cash on delivery. GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer. Hongkong, March 24, 1904.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB. THE ANNUAL LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT will be held during the month of April. Entry forms will be found in the CRICKET PAVILION, and Members intending to take part are requested to enter their names as soon as possible. Entries close on March 31st. By Order, A. G. WARD, Secretary. Hongkong, March 24, 1904.

WANTED. THE BUSINESS TRAINING COLLEGE requires Additional TEACHERS for Double Entry and Elementary Bookkeeping, also for a special system for an Estate Agents' Business.—WARWICK PEELE, Principal, Studio, Watkin's Buildings, near G.P.O. Hongkong, March 24, 1904.

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AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM YOKOHAMA AND KOBE. THE Company's Steamship *Siebia*, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWNS COMPANY, LIMITED, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 31st March, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 31st of March will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents. Hongkong, March 24, 1904.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE. THE H. A. L. Steamship *Suevic*, Captain VON DORNEY, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned, to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day. Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWNS COMPANY, LIMITED, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st inst. will be subject to rent. All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st inst. at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE. Hongkong Office. Hongkong, March 24, 1904.

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WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATE

PORT	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS
LONDON, &c.	Simla	20th March	See Special Advertisement
SHANGHAI	Hongkong	About 20th March	Freight and Passage.
LONDON & ANTWERP, Via Suez, PANG, Cebu, Port Said & Marseilles	S. B. HANSEN	About 30th March	Freight and Passage.
YAMA, Via SHAI, MOJI & Kobe (passing through the Inland Sea)	B. H. W. Snow	About 5th April	Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, March 22, 1904.

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SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

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S.S. *Albatross*,
Capt. F. F. F. F.
| 2nd April, 1904. | Freight |

FOR HAMBURG.

S.S. *Prinz Heinrich*,
Capt. F. F. F. F.
| 19th April, 1904. | Freight |

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

S.S. *Suevia*,
Capt. F. F. F. F.
| 25th April, 1904. | Freight |

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

S.S. *Albatross*,
Capt. F. F. F. F.
| 2nd May, 1904. | Freight |

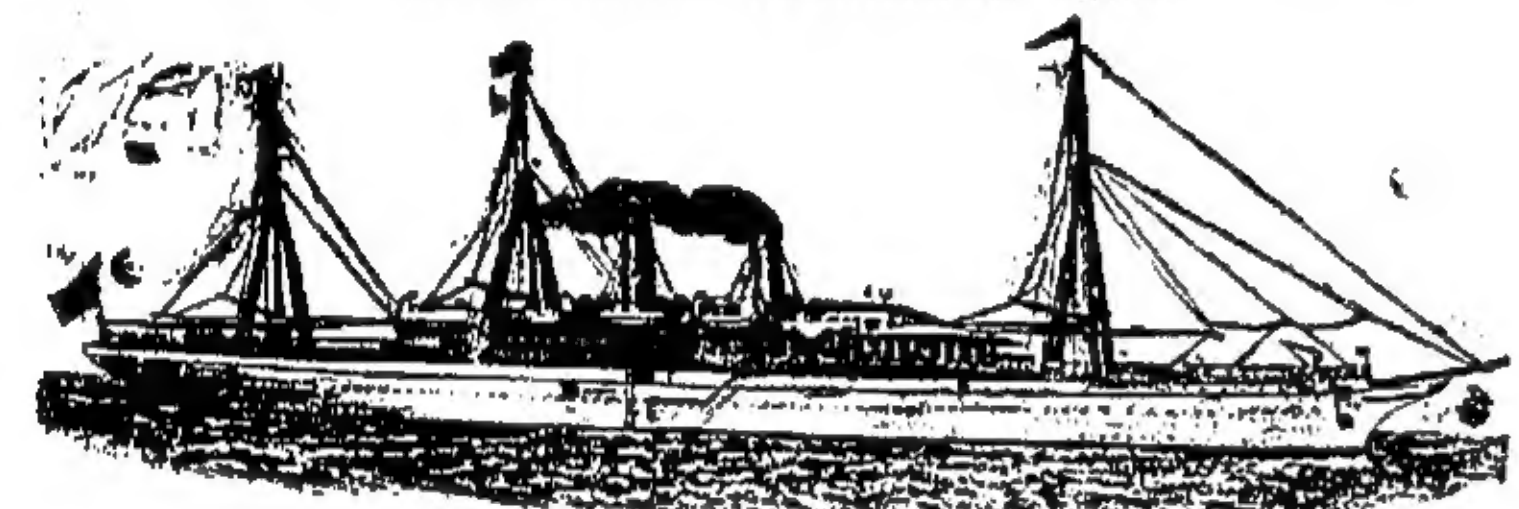
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R.M.S. <i>EMPEROR OF INDIA</i>	8,000 TONS, WEDNESDAY, April 20.
R.M.S. <i>ATHLETIC</i>	3,882 TONS, WEDNESDAY, April 27.
R.M.S. <i>EMPEROR OF JAPAN</i>	8,000 TONS, WEDNESDAY, May 11.
R.M.S. <i>TARTAR</i>	4,425 TONS, SATURDAY, May 21.

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STEAMSHIP.	TONS.	CAPTAIN.	SAILING DATE.
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COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
KOBÉ DIRECT	<i>DAPHNE</i>	MONDAY, 28th
FOOCHOW, Via SWATOW	<i>TRIUMPH</i>	Mar. at Noon
AND AMOY	<i>TRIUMPH</i>	WEDNESDAY,
TAMSUI, Via SWATOW	<i>TRIUMPH</i>	Mar. 30, at 10 a.m.
AND AMOY	<i>TRIUMPH</i>	THURSDAY, 31st
ANPING, Via SWATOW	<i>TRIUMPH</i>	Mar. at 10 a.m.
AND AMOY	<i>TRIUMPH</i>	WEDNESDAY,
TAMSUI, Via SWATOW	<i>TRIUMPH</i>	April 6, at 10 a.m.
AND AMOY	<i>TRIUMPH</i>	THURSDAY, 7th
	<i>TRIUMPH</i>	April, at 10 a.m.

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	<i>ANTHONY</i>	25th March
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	<i>ANTHONY</i>	31st March
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	<i>ANTHONY</i>	6th April
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	<i>ANTHONY</i>	10th April
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	<i>ANTHONY</i>	16th April
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	<i>ANTHONY</i>	17th April
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	<i>ANTHONY</i>	24th April
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	<i>ANTHONY</i>	1st May
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	<i>ANTHONY</i>	7th May
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	<i>ANTHONY</i>	13th May

The S.S. *ANTHONY* left Singapore on 20th inst., and is due here on 26th inst.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON & ANTWERP	<i>PARLINGS</i>	29th March
LONDON & ANTWERP	<i>PARLINGS</i>	1st April
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	<i>PARLINGS</i>	14th April
LONDON & ANTWERP	<i>PARLINGS</i>	26th April
LONDON & ANTWERP	<i>PARLINGS</i>	10th May
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	<i>PARLINGS</i>	20th May

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via	<i>NINCHOW</i>	26th March
NIHON, KORE & YOKOHAMA.	<i>HYON</i>	19th April

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Hongkong, March 24, 1904.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
YOKOHAMA AND KOBÉ	<i>TAIWAN</i>	26th Mar., Noon
SHANGHAI	<i>SHANGHAI</i>	26th Mar., 4 p.m.
NINGPO AND SHANGHAI	<i>SHANGHAI</i>	26th Mar., 4 p.m.
AMOI, MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	<i>CHENAN</i>	28th March
PT. DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS, VILLÉ, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	<i>CHENAN</i>	8th April

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers	Sailing Dates, 1904.
PREUSSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 30th Mar.
HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY, 13th April
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 27th April
OLDENBURG	WEDNESDAY, 11th May
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY, 25th May
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 8th June
ZEITEN	WEDNESDAY, 22nd June
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY, 6th July
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY, 20th July

* Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of March, 1904, at Noon, the Steamship
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CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.
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TRENTON	9606	T. W. Garlick	March 29.
LYRA	4417	G. V. William	May 4.
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STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship	Tons	Captains	For	Sailing Dates
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila Direct	Mar. 26, at 10 a.m.
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For Freight or Passage, apply to

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REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN
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The steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light, and have accom-
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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE Company's Steamship

HATAN,

Captain ROACH, will be despatched for

the above Port on FRIDAY, the 25th

inst., at 10 a.m.

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Hongkong, March 23, 1904.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

FOR SHANGHAI.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to Tain-
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THE Steamship

KOWLOON,

Captain C. STEIN, will be despatched for

the above Port on FRIDAY, the 26th

March, at 3 p.m.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation

for First-class Passengers.

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Hongkong, March 23, 1904.

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(With liberty to call at Philippine Ports).

THE Steamship

KENNEBEC,

Captain Geo. R. WALLACE,

will be despatched on or about MONDAY,

the 28th March, 1904.

For Freight and further information,

Apply to

STANDARD OIL COMPANY

OF NEW YORK,

Oriental Freight Department,

Hongkong, March 21, 1904.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

To SAIL 1904.

AFRIL..... Early in April.

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Hongkong, February 29, 1904.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S. S. "WING CHAI."

CAPTAIN SAMUEL BELL SMITH.

DEPARTURE FROM HONGKONG on week

days at 7.30 a.m.; Excursion on Sun-
days at 8.30 a.m.; from MACAO week daysat 2 p.m.; Sundays at about 7.30 p.m.
FARE (week days) 1st Class (including
cabin and servant) \$2. Return Ticket \$5.
2nd class \$1.
3rd " 50 Cents.On excursion Sundays 1st, 2nd, 3rd Class
Single Ticket \$2. Return Ticket \$3. Re-
turn Tickets, including tiffin and dinner
either on board or at Macao Hotel, \$5. On
Sundays, \$5 extra will be charged for each
cabin which has accommodation for 2 or
more passengers.What—At the Western end of Wing
Lock Street.The steamer runs an excursion trip every
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Macao.MING ON & CO.,
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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
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Hongkong, March 23, 1904.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at TUNOR, PORT DARWIN, and
QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through
Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND,
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THE Steamship

AUSTRALIAN,

lb.

Salmon,—Ma Yau Yu	lb	周大
Shark,—Sa Yu	54	鯊魚
Skate,—Fo Yu	9	鯖魚
Shrimps,—Ha	...	...	...	20	蝦
Snapper,—Lap Yu	...	...	...	24	土鯉
Sole,—Tat Sa Yu	...	...	...	22	坤沙魚
Tench,—Wan Yu	...	...	...	14	陸魚
Turbot,—Cho How Yu	...	...	...	18	左口魚
Turtles, small, fresh water,—Kerk Yu	...	...	...	70	甲魚
White Bait,—Ngan Yu U	...	...	...	—	銀鱗仔

Fruits.				菓	
Almonds,—Hung Yan	...	...	...	20	杏仁
Apples, (California)—Kam San Ping Kho	...	...	...	60	金山平果
„ (Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping Khor	...	...	...	—	天津平果
„ Small,—Hoi Tong	...	...	...	—	海棠
„ Custard,—Fun Lai Chi	...	...	...	each—	荔枝
Bananas, fragrant, Canton,—San Shing	...	...	...	8	省城香蕉
„ Heung Chiu	...	...	...	—	山香蕉
Bananas, (brides), Macao,—San Heung Chiu	...	...	...	—	馬六甲香蕉
Chestnuts, Chinese,—Fong Lut	...	...	...	10	風栗
Carambols,—Yeung Tuo	...	...	...	—	楊子
Coconuts,—Yeh Tez...	...	...	...	each 10	椰子

„ America—Kum San Ning Moon... „ 5 金山

Lilies, Fresh—	...	...	15	荔枝
Lichees, Dried—Lai Chi Con	...	...	...	荔枝干
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning Moong...	6	...	...	西貢檸檬
Mango, Manila—Lui Sung Moong	...	each—	...	呂宋芒果
Mango, Saigon—Sai Kung Moong...	...	...	...	西貢芒果
Man oestue,—San Chuk Tex	...	dozen—	...	山竹子
Oranges, (Canton)—San Shing Tim Chang	6	...	...	省城大橙
Small,—Tai Kut	...	...	...	小柚
Olives,—Pak Lam	...	...	...	大白油
Pears, (American)—Kam San Shut Li	...	...	...	金山梨
" (Canton), Cooking,—Sa Li	...	...	...	沙梨
" (Shanghai)—Sheung Hai Li	...	...	10	上海梨
Peanuts,—Fa Sang	...	...	10	花生
Perisimmons Large,—Hung Cheu	...	...	...	紅柿
Pine-apples, 1st quality,—Sheung Poon Ti	...	...	...	本坡蜜
Paw Law	...	...	each—	...
Paw cooking—Chung-tang-paw-law	...	...	...	中等大蕉
Plantains,—Tai Cheu	...	...	2	大蕉
Plums,—Swatow Hung Lai...	...	...	...	紅梨
Pamelo, Siam,—Chim Lo Yau	...	...	10	暹羅柚
Walnuts,—Hop Tuo	...	...	12	核桃
" Green,—Sang Hop Tuo	...	...	...	合桃

菜蔬

丁油竹

" (French), Shanghai,—Sheung Hai

" Sprout, -Ah Choi ... ..	...	...	2	芽菜
" Long, -Tau Kok ... ..	...	...	—	豉角
Beet Root, -Hung Choi 'au	each	2	1	紅菜根
Brinjal, Green, -Ching Yuen Ker ... ..	...	...	—	青元茄
" Red, -Hung Kor... ..	...	...	3	紅茄
Brassica, -Pak Choi... ..	...	...	3	白菜
Bamboo Shoots, -Cheuk Shan ... ..	...	...	9	竹筍
Cabbage, Chinese, com. -Kai Choy ... ..	...	...	5	芥菜
Cabbage, -Kai Lan Tau	each	2	1	芥蘭
Cabbage, (Shanghai), -Yeh Choi ... ..	...	...	7	花菜
Cane Shoots, bunch, -Kau Shun ... ..	...	...	—	摩多
Cauliflower, Large size, -Tai Yek Choi-fa	each	35	1	大花椰菜
" Medium size, -Cheung Yeh Cho -fa ... ..	...	...	18	中花椰菜
" Small size, -Sai Yeh Choi Fa ... ..	...	...	15	細花椰菜
Carrots, -Kam Shun ... ..	...	...	4	金參
Caulery, Chinese, -Tong Kan Choi ... ..	...	...	4	磨芹菜
" English, -Yeung ... ..	...	...	6	洋芹菜
" White, -Pak ... ..	...	...	6	白洋芹菜
Chilies Dried, -Oon Lai Ohi ... ..	...	...	25	乾辣椒
" Red, -Hung Fa ... ..	...	...	28	紅辣椒
" Green, -Ching Lat Ohm ... ..	...	...	20	青辣椒
Curry Stuff, English, 'Ka Lee Choi Lu... ..	...	...	5	咖喱粉

Bitter Squash,—Fu Kwa	20	苦瓜
...	6	...

Garrick,—Sun Lau	... ..		明
"Ginger, young,—Sun Tai Keung ...	—		新子薑
"old,—Lo Keung ...	.. .	4	老薑
Horse Radish, S'hai—Lik Kán	... ..	18	力根
Indian Corn,—Sak Mal'	... ..	piece	粟米
Lettuce,—Yeung Sang Choi	... ..	'scab	洋生菜
Water Chestnut,—Mia Lai	... ..	"	馬蹄
" Mandarin,—Kwei Eam MaT'ai.	... ..	8	桂林馬蹄
Mushrooms, Fresh.—Sang Cho Kho	... ..	—	生家菇
Onions, Bombay,—Yeung Ching au	... ..	7	洋葱
" Green,—Sang Chuny	... ..	3	生葱
" Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Chung Tui	... ..	—	上海蔥
" Japan,—Yu' Poon	(W)	—	日本蔥
Okroes,—Mo Ker...	... ..	—	茄絲
Parsley, English,—Yeung Un Sai per Bundle	... ..	1	洋菜
Parsley,—Kim Choi ...	... ..	6	芹菜
Green Peas,—Chin Tsai	... ..	—	青豆
Potatoes, Sweet,—Fan Shu	... ..	3	香薯
" Shanghai,—Sheung Hai Shn Tsai	... ..	—	上海香薯
" Japan,—Yut Poor Shi Tsai'	... ..	—	日本香薯
" American,—Fu Ki	... ..	—	花旗香薯
" Foochow,—Fuk Chao on Tsai	... ..	—	福州香薯
Macao,—Oh Moon	... ..	5	澳門香薯

Radish.—Hung Lo Pak Tsai	...	30c	2	紅蘿蔔
Rhubarb (Fresh)—Tai Wong	15	土薺

Shao-tai, —Don Chung Tan	...	...	4	乾菜鴨
Spinage, (Chinoise) —Paw Choh	...	...	4	菠菜
Spinach, —Yin Choh	...	...	4	菠菜
Tomatoes, —Fau Ker	...	...	7	番茄
Taro, —Wa Tan	...	...	2	芋頭
Turnips, Funt, (Long), —Low Pak	...	...	2	蘿蔔
" English, —Joong Low Pak	piece	...	2	洋蘿蔔
Vegetable Marrow, —Chih Kwa	...	...	...	茭瓜
Water Cress, —Sai Yung Chai	...	...	1	西洋菜
" Lily root, —Liu Ngau	...	...	5	蘭薯
Yam, —Ts. She	...	...	0	大薯

H. A. JOHANSEN
Att'ny.

Vessels Advertised as Loading

Destination	Vessels	Amount	Date of Loading
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<i>Agents.</i>	<i>Date of Leaving.</i>
Butterfield & Swire....	March 23.
Melchers & Co	March 30.
Melchers & Co.....	April 13.
Melchers & Co.....	April 27.
Butterfield & Swire....	April 14.
Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	April 12.

Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	April 25.
China-Hland T'ing Co.	2nd half of March
Osaka Shosan Kaisha.	Mar. 28, at Noon.
Butterfield & Swire	March 29.
Butterfield & Swire	April 12.
Butterfield & Swire	April 14.
P. & O. S. N. Co.	About March 30.
P. & O. S. N. Co.	Mar. 26, at Noon.
Dodwell & Co, Limited	About April 30.
Showan, Tomes & Co.	Mar. 26, at 10 a.m.
Shewan, Tomes & Co.	April 2, at 10 a.m.

Jardine, Matheson & Co.	March 30, at 4 p.m.
Messageries Maritimes	April, at 1 p.m.
Gibb, Livingston & Co.	April 8, at Noon.
Butterfield & Swire	April 8.
China Com. S. Co., Ltd.	Mar. 28, at Noon.
Dodwell & Co. Limited	Early in April.
Standard Oil Co.	About Mar. 28.
Butterfield & Swire	March 28, at 4 p.m.
P & O S. N. Co.	About Mar. 28.
Butterfield & Swire	March 28, at 4 p.m.
Siemssen & Co.	March 25, at 3 p.m.
Sander, Wilson & Co.	Mar. 24, at Noon.

Sander, Wreder & Co.	April 20, at 3 p.m.
Portland & A. S. Co.	April 20, at 3 p.m.
Jardine, Matheson & Co.	March 29, at 3 p.m.
China's Land Ting Co.	1st half of April.
Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	Mar. 30, at 10 a.m.
Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	Mar. 31, at 10 a.m.
Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	April 6, at 10 a.m.
Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	April 7, at 10 a.m.
Douglas, Lapraik & Co.	Mar. 25, at 10 a.m.
Douglas, Lapraik & Co.	Mar. 27, at Noon
Hamburg-Am'ka Linie	April 2.
(g.) Canadian P'fic. R. Co.	March 30.

..... Canadian P ^{te} R. Co	April 23.
..... Canadian P ^{te} R. Co	April 27.
..... Dodwell & Co. Limited	March 29.
..... P. & O. S. N. Co.,.....	About April 5.
..... Hamburg-Am ka Linie	Mar. 27, Daylight
..... Butterfield & Swire ..	Mar. 26, at Noon

of res.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations, Cash.
1000	125	all	\$805, buyer. London. £81

970	£	10	£	8	835, buyers
956	£	10	£	8	835, buyers
750	£	1	£	1	\$10
000	\$	250	\$	50	\$175, sellers
000	\$	83.33	\$	26	555, buyers
000	£	15	£	5	Tls. 671
000	\$	250	\$	100	6475, sellers
000	\$	100	\$	60	8135
000	\$	100	\$	50	284, sellers

000	\$	250	50	\$282½, buyers	
000	\$	50	all	\$205, sellers	
000	\$	25	\$ 25	\$47	
000	\$	6½	\$ 6½	\$87½, sellers	
700	Tls.	100	Tls. 100	Tls. 140, sellers	
000	\$	50	\$ 50	} \$21, buyers	
000	\$	50	all		\$35, sellers
000	\$	15	\$ 15		\$26½

000	£	10	a	all	£80, buyers
000	£	10	£	10	£80, buyers
000	£	10	£	5	£120, sellers
000	£	1	£	1	£19/- sellers
000	£	10	£	10	£10, Nominal
000	Tls.	50	Tls	50	Tls. 35
000	Tls.	50	Tls	50	Tls. 56, buyers
000					Tls. 48, buyers
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000	£	100	a		£10, sellers
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900	\$	50	all	\$293, sales
100	Tls.	100	Tls.100	Tls. 185, sales
900	\$	100	100	\$146, sellers
900	Tls.	50	Tls.50	Tls. 108, sellers
900	\$	50	30	\$35, sellers
764	Tls.	25	Tls.25	Tls. 10
900	\$	10	all	\$102, buyers

000	\$	10	\$	2 1/2	\$2 1/2
500	\$	50	\$	50	\$53, sellers
250	\$	100		all	\$300
000	\$	11	\$	11	\$1, sellers
000	\$	1		all	25 cents
000	Fcs.	250		all	\$500
000	E	1		18/10	\$7 1/2, sellers

0000	\$	50	all	\$130, ex div.
0000	T.	25.50	Tls. 50	Tls. 150, buyers
0000	\$	25	\$ 25	\$33, buyers
0000	\$	10	all	\$14, sales.
0000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$7, sellers
0000	\$	10	all	\$140, buyers
0000	Tls.	50	Tls. 50	Tls. 115, sales
0000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$12, sellers
0000	\$	19	\$ 5	\$6, sellers

000	\$	10	\$	10	\$25
004	£	12/5	£	12/6	\$5, sellers
005	\$	10	\$	4	\$9, buyers
006	\$	10	\$	10	\$210, buyers
000	\$	10	\$	10	\$15, sales
000	\$	7 1/2	all		\$12
000	\$	2 1/2	all		\$220, sellers
000	£	1 1/2	£	20	Tls. 4251
000	\$	5	\$	5	\$1, sellers

0000	\$	50	all	\$142, sales & sellers
0000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$16, sellers
0000	Tls.	50	Tls. 50	Tls. 33, sellers
0000	Tls.	75	Tls. 75	Tls. 20
0000	Tls.	100	Tls. 100	Tls. 32
0000	Tls.	500	Tls. 00	Tls. 170
0000	\$	10	\$ 10	\$3.75, sales

\$1000	\$	12	\$	12	\$8, ex div., sellers
\$200	\$	10	\$	10	all 40, sellers
\$1000	\$	10	\$	10	\$9, sellers
\$200	\$	50	\$	50	\$30
\$1000	\$	10	\$	10	\$16, Nominal
\$500	\$	10	\$	10	\$10, buyers
\$900	\$	500	\$	500	\$200

Rate	Interest	Quotations
2507 1/2 p. annum Per		
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